

BATESBURG ON THE RIDGE.

Situated on the Southern Railway between Augusta, Georgia, and Columbia, South Carolina, is the town of Batesburg, noted for its business progress and enterprise. It is wonderful what improvements have characterized the mercantile energy and push of this place within the last two or three years. There has been installed a Water Works and Electric Plant, giving satisfaction and adding to the convenience of the citizenship and to the reduction of insurance rates. The Middleburg Cotton Mills is a successful enterprise and its productive capacity is added to year by year. A number of private residences have been and are being constructed. The beautiful and commodious Tourist Hotel has been successfully launched and will doubtless do a handsome business next winter, located as it is at a convenient distance from Batesburg and Leesville, on a commanding eminence, giving a magnificent view all around. This hostelry, situated amid springs of pure water with gentle breezes, wafting by day and by night the health-restoring aroma from the Southern Pines all around.

This place is noted for the salubrity of its climate, its high elevation above the sea level, the purity of its water. It is surrounded by productive lands, suited to the production of Corn, Cotton, Grain, Vegetables and Fruits of many varieties, unequalled by any other section of the State.

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DOINGS IN JACKSONVILLE.

Hot and dry, the thermometer is standing today in the nineties.

We have a lot of fever in the city at present and we are getting very uneasy for fear of yellow jack; God grant that it may not come.

A great many have left the city lately for San Francisco to help in the building of the city which was destroyed by the earthquake. Jacksonville has shown her generosity for the burned city by raising a large sum of money for them, one small school raising the sum of five thousand dollars.

The Atlantic Coast Line Railway which has large property here have made a third division to the south end of their road making this place their headquarters with Mr. H. A. Ford Gen'l Superintendent.

With best luck for the Advocate.
C. L. C.

SALUDA

FROST AND NOT ENOUGH SEED TO REPLANT SHOULD COTTON BE KILLED. MEMORIAL DAY EXERCISES. PERSONALS.

There was considerable frost here last night, and much uneasiness is felt for the cotton plant, most of which was up. Should the cotton be killed there are not enough seed left in this county to plant again.

Revs. D. H. Crossland and J. A. Carson left on yesterday for Chattanooga, where they will attend the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Rev. J. P. Beahm formerly pastor of Saluda circuit but now of Sumter has been invited to preach the sermon at the closing of the graded school on May 20th.

Mr. B. W. Crouch of this town is attending the bankers convention in

Greenville.

A new firm and new store is announced here. H. M. Crouch & Co. will open up a complete line of furniture in a few days in the building next to the Bank of Saluda.

Appropriate memorial exercises were held here today at the village school building, under the auspices of the Lucinda Horne chapter, U. D. C.

Messrs. John M. Daniel and Alvin Etheredge made excellent talks at the occasion. The musical program was varied and well rendered.

After the exercises at the school were concluded a large committee of ladies repaired to the cemetery, where they reverently and tenderly decorated the graves of the sleeping heroes.

HOBSON IN EDGEFIELD.

Edgefield, May 9 — Edgefield lyceum has closed a contract with the Alhambra lyceum bureau of Atlanta to secure the services here of Hon. Richmond Pearson Hobson on Tuesday

night next, May 15th. This far famed hero and distinguished gentleman and very recently elected congressman from Alabama is well and favorably known to all the people of these United States. His coming here will of course be a great event for the town and county, and he will doubtless draw an immense and most enthusiastic audience from all sections of the county. The opera house will be taxed to its full capacity. This young \$250,000 navy plunger, developer and producer will receive a most hearty endorsement and reception from the people of Edgefield on Tuesday night next. — E. A.

HIS LIFE DESPAIRED OF

Washington, May 9. — Senator Arthur P. Gorman of Maryland is critically ill at his home in this city. He has not been in his senate chamber for many months. Within the last few days he has had a severe sinking spell and his life is despaired of.

Shakespeare in Parliament.

In July, 1855, a debate was going on in the house of commons respecting Lord John (afterward Earl) Russell's ignominious failure during his mission in Vienna to bring the Crimean war to an end, in consequence of which the opposition indulged in some strong criticism regarding the party in power. At last Lord Palmerston, then prime minister, rose and began to talk in a lecturing way about "this unnecessary and unprovoked attack upon the government" and ended by saying in a loud voice and looking straight at two literary members—Bulwer and Disraeli—who were sitting together on the front opposition bench:

"The gentlemen are making 'Much Ado About Nothing.'"

He sat down amid loud cheers from his own side, but in an instant Bulwer was up and with exquisite grace and sarcasm said:

"Mr. Speaker"—then turning to bow slightly toward the treasury bench—"I beg to remind the noble lord that in chronological order 'Much Ado About Nothing' comes after 'A Comedy of Errors.'"

The Bird That Wouldn't Sing.

Gabrieli, the great prima donna, once "suffered" a twelve days' imprisonment for a whimsical refusal to sing in her usual first rate style. It was the occasion of a state dinner given by the viceroy at Palermo. Gabrieli had been engaged for the function, but as she did not put in an appearance the dinner was delayed and a messenger dispatched to ascertain the cause of her absence. The messenger was promptly informed that Gabrieli was in bed, where she had become so absorbed in a favorite author that she had forgotten the engagement. Receiving the command for her appearance, the lady began by singing her very worst, and when the viceroy urged her to be less foolish she refused to sing at all.

"The viceroy may make me cry," said she, "but he can never make me sing."

For this freak Gabrieli was sent to prison, as we have indicated, for twelve days, during which time, having liberty to do as she pleased, she feasted her friends in great style and enjoyed herself in a variety of ways.

WINTHROP COLLEGE

SCHOLARSHIP AND ENTRANCE EXAMINATION.

The examination for the award of vacant scholarships in Winthrop College and for the admission of new students will be held at the County Court House on Friday, July 6th, at 9 a. m. Applicants must not be less than fifteen years of age. When scholarships are vacated after July 6, they will be awarded to those making the highest average at this examination provided they meet the conditions governing the award. Applicants for scholarship should write to President Johnson before the examination for scholarship application blanks.

Scholarships are worth \$1.00 and free tuition. The next session will open September 19th, 1906. For further information and catalogue, address Pres. D. B. Johnson, Rock Hill, S. C.

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